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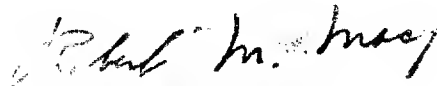
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency

As a result of our conversation this noon, I have checked into the responsibility of the Departments and Agencies for transmitting to the Bureau of the Budget, prior to reply, all reports requested by the Congress on public or private bills. Paragraph 3 of Circular A-19, Revised June 14, 1954 (attached), is explicit on this point, requiring transmittal at a date early enough to permit orderly coordination and clearance by the Bureau. The definition of "Report" in paragraph 2, and paragraph 11 of the Circular appear to provide the only exceptions. The reason for this clearance is set forth in paragraph 1.

I trust that this information will be helpful guidance to you.

In our discussion on testimony in justification of budget estimates, you indicated that you might receive questions about the level of the contingency reserve in future years. We will be glad to confer with you prior to your appearance before the Committees to work out a position which could be used in replying to such questions.



Robert M. Macy  
Chief, International Division

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